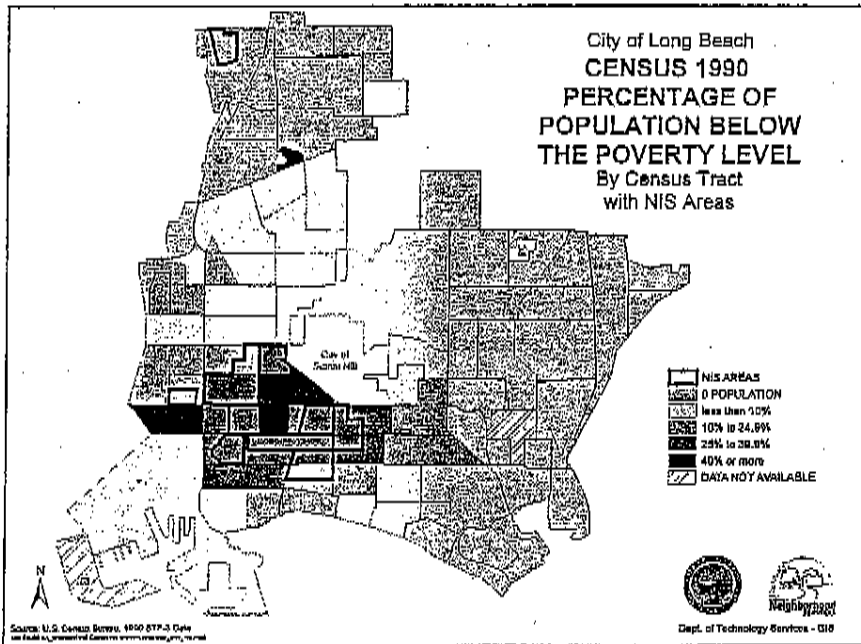


# Poverty and Work Among Residents of Long Beach

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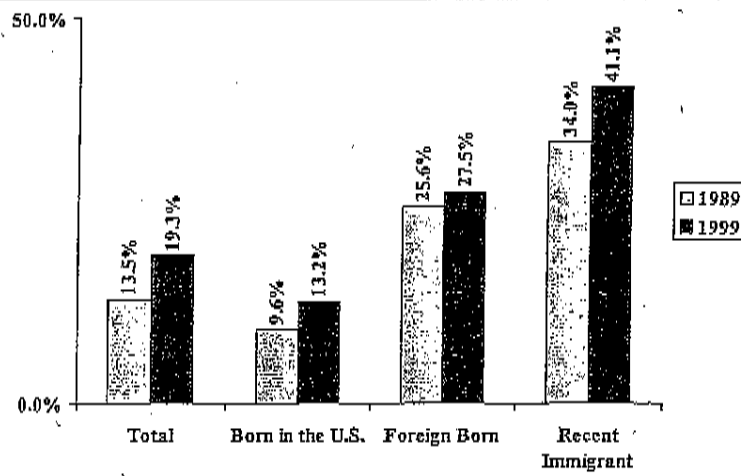
### Poverty Rate of Families with Children Under 18

	1989	1999
U.S.	14.9%	13.6%
California	14.2%	15.3%
Long Beach	21.2%	27.2%

### Poverty Rate of Two-Parent Families with Children Under 18

	1989	1999
U.S.	7.3%	6.6%
California	8.0%	9.7%
Long Beach	12.6%	17.2%

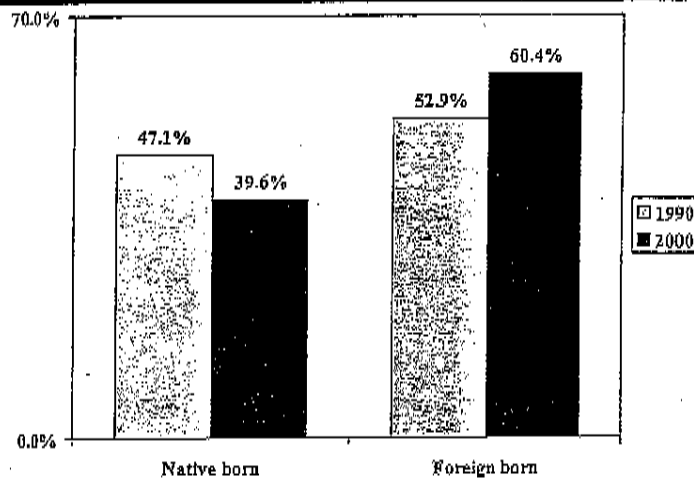
## Poverty Rate of Long Beach Families, by Nativity Status of Householder



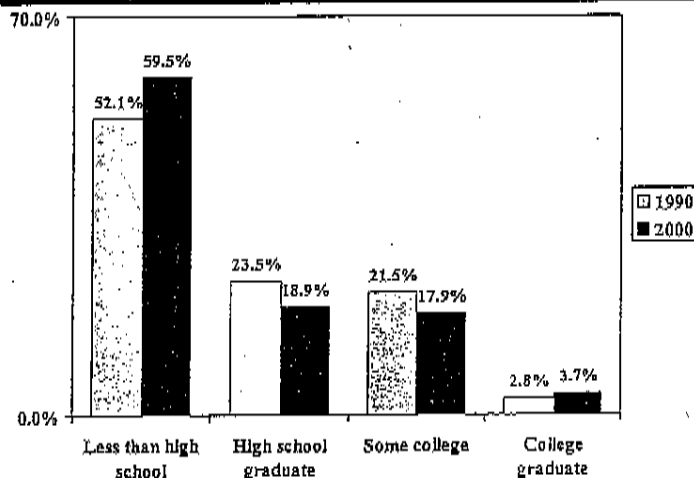
## Poverty Rate of Long Beach Families by Age of Householder, 1989 & 1999

	1989	1999	Absolute Change	Relative Change
Total	13.5%	19.3%	5.8	43.0%
Under 30 Years	22.2%	35.1%	13.0	58.4%
30-64 Years	13.5%	18.1%	4.6	34.0%
65+ Years	6.1%	5.5%	-0.6	-10.4%

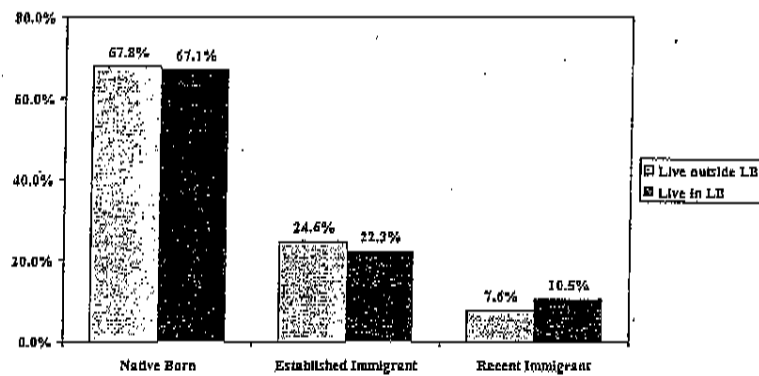
### Percentage Distribution of Poor Families in Long Beach by Nativity Status of Householder, 1990 and 2000



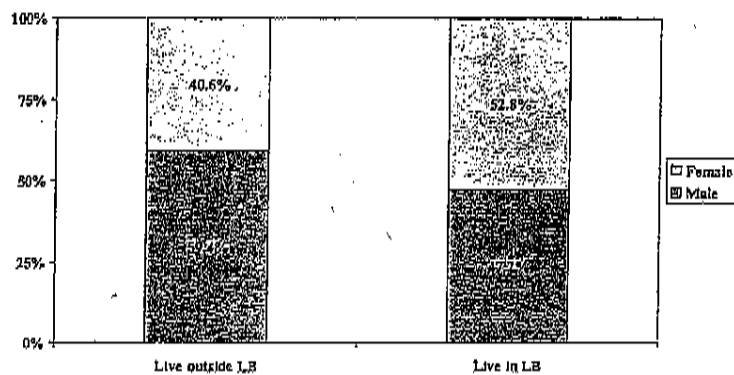
### Percentage Distribution of Poor Families in Long Beach by Education of Householder, 1990 and 2000



## Nativity Characteristics Workers in Long Beach by Their Residence, 2000



## Gender Distribution of Workers in Long Beach by Their Residence, 2000



Occupations with the Fastest Job Growth (1)							
(Sorted by Percent Change)							
Los Angeles County							
2001-2008							
SOC Code	Occupation (Definition)	Annual Average Employment		Employment Change		Educational/Experience Req. (BLS Training Level)	Entry/Median Wage
		2001 (2)	2008 (2)	Number	Percent		
15-1041	Computer Support Specialists	13,830	21,220	7,390	53.4	Associate Degree (6)	\$14.72/\$21.49
15-1071	Network & Computer Systems Administrators	9,910	14,470	4,560	46	BABS Degree (5)	\$19.77/\$28.97
15-1031	Computer Software Engineers, Applications	11,960	17,050	5,090	42.6	BABS Degree (5)	\$23.86/\$35.93
15-1032	Computer Software Engineers, Systems Software	7,200	10,130	2,930	40.7	BABS Degree (5)	\$23.72/\$37.87
43-9031	Desktop Publishers	1,080	1,500	420	38.9	Post-Sec. VocEd (7)	\$11.93/\$18.19
15-1081	Network Systems & Data Communications Analysts	2,920	4,040	1,120	38.4	BABS Degree (5)	\$17.52/\$29.05
37-2021	Plant Control Workers	4,020	5,490	1,470	36.6	Moderate-Term COT (10)	\$8.07/\$11.51
53-4011	Locomotive Engineers	1,020	1,380	360	35.3	Work Experience (8)	
49-2098	Security & Fire Alarm Systems Installers	4,680	6,230	1,550	33.1	Post-Sec. VocEd (7)	\$8.98/\$13.75
15-1061	Database Administrators	2,880	3,780	880	30.6	BABS Degree (5)	\$17.67/\$28.69
(1) Excludes "All Other" occupational groups, and occupations with employment of less than 400 in 2001.							
(2) March 2001 Benchmark.							

## Profile of Poverty in Long Beach

- Individual and Family Poverty Rates >20%
- Single Mom Poverty Rate > 46%
- Recent Immigrants Poverty Rate >41%
- Householder under Age 30 Poverty >35%
- Head of House with less than High School represents nearly 60% of all in poverty
- 20% of all 16 – 24 year olds are Out of Work and Out of School